

time off for travel under section 5550b of title 5, United States Code; **Pages H1144–45**

Recognizing Dr. I. King Jordan for his contributions to Gallaudet University and the deaf and hard of hearing community: H. Res. 680, to recognize Dr. I. King Jordan for his contributions to Gallaudet University and the deaf and hard of hearing community; **Pages H1145–48**

Supreme Court Grounds Transfer Act of 2005: S. 2116, to transfer jurisdiction of certain real property to the Supreme Court—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H1148–49**

Milk Regulatory Equity Act of 2005: S. 2120, to ensure regulatory equity between and among all dairy farmers and handlers for sales of packaged fluid milk in federally regulated milk marketing areas and into certain non-federally regulated milk marketing areas from federally regulated areas, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 285 yeas to 128; nays, Roll No. 69—clearing the measure for the President; **Pages H1149–54, H1163**

Local Community Recovery Act of 2006: H.R. 4979, as amended, to amend the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act to clarify the preference for local firms in the award of certain contracts for disaster relief activities; and **Pages H1154–56**

Commending the people of the Republic of Haiti for holding democratic elections on February 7, 2006, and congratulating President-elect Rene Garcia Preval on his victory in these elections: H. Con. Res. 353, to commend the people of the Republic of Haiti for holding democratic elections on February 7, 2006, and congratulating President-elect Rene Garcia Preval on his victory in these elections. **Pages H1157–62**

Recess: The House recessed at 5:36 p.m. and reconvened at 6:33 p.m. **Page H1162**

Senate Message: Messages received from the Senate by the Clerk and subsequently presented to the House today appear on page H1133.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 83 was held at the desk; S. 1608 was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce; and S. 166 and S. 2447 were referred to the Committee on Resources. **Pages H1136, H1193–94**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Two ye-a-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings today and appear on pages H1162–63 and H1163. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 11:54 p.m.

Committee Meetings

AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Food and Nutrition Service. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Eric M. Bost, Under Secretary; Kate Coler, Deputy Under Secretary, and Roberto Salazar, Administrator, all with Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services; Eric Hentges, Executive Director, Center for Nutrition Policy and Promotion; and W. Scott Steele, Budget Officer.

MILITARY QUALITY OF LIFE, AND VETERANS AFFAIRS, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Military Quality of Life, and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies held a hearing on VA/DHP Joint Incentives Programs. Testimony was heard from Gordon H. Mansfield, Deputy Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs; and David S. C. Chu, Under Secretary, Personnel and Readiness, Department of Defense.

SCIENCE, THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, COMMERCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the FBI. Testimony was heard from Robert S. Mueller III, Director, FBI, Department of Justice.

U.S. NAVY'S FUTURE SUBMARINE FORCE STRUCTURE

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Projection Forces held a hearing on U.S. Navy's future submarine force structure. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Navy: Allison Stiller, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Ships; ADM Charles L. Munns, USN, Commander, Naval Submarine Forces; RADM Joseph A. Walsh, USN, Director, Submarine Warfare Division (N87); and RADM William H. Hilarides, USN, Program Executive Officer for Submarines, Naval Sea Systems Command; Ronald O'Rourke, Specialist in National Defense, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

OPM'S 2007 BUDGET

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce and Agency Organization held a

hearing entitled “OPM’s 2007 Budget and New Strategic and Operational Plan: A Discussion With the OPM Director.” Testimony was heard from Linda Springer, Director, OPM.

BUREAU OF IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT—INVESTIGATIVE PRIORITIES

Committee on Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security, Emerging Threats, and International Relations held a hearing entitled “Setting Post-9/11 Investigative Priorities at the Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement.” Testimony was heard from Richard M. Stana, Director, Homeland Security and Justice Issues, GAO; the following officials of the Department of Homeland Security: Richard L. Skinner, Inspector General; and Robert Schoch, Deputy Assistant Director, National Security Division, ICE Office of Investigations; Joseph Webber, former Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—SECURITY RESTRAINTS ON BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Prevention of Nuclear and Biological Attack met in executive session to receive a briefing on Security Restraints on Biological Research: Where Are the Boundaries? The Subcommittee was briefed by public witnesses.

ETHIOPIA’S TROUBLED INTERNAL SITUATION

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations held a hearing on Ethiopia’s Troubled Internal Situation. Testimony was heard from Donald Y. Yamamoto, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of African Affairs, Department of State; and public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT—BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO, FIREARMS, AND EXPLOSIVES—REFORMING LICENSING AND ENFORCEMENT AUTHORITIES

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held an oversight hearing on the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives (BATFE): Reforming Licensing and Enforcement Authorities. Testimony was heard from Audrey Stucko, Deputy Assistant Director, Enforcement Programs and Services, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice; and public witnesses.

FIREARMS CORRECTIONS AND IMPROVEMENTS ACT

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on H.R. 5005, Firearms Corrections and Improvements Act. Testimony was heard from Audrey Stucko, Deputy Assistant Director, Enforcement Programs and Services, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, Department of Justice; Michael R. Bloomberg, Mayor, City of New York; and a public witness.

COLLEGE ACCESS AND OPPORTUNITY ACT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by voice vote, a structured rule on H.R. 609, College Access and Opportunity Act, providing one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Education and the Workforce. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill. The rule provides that in lieu of the amendment recommended by the Committee on Education and the Workforce now printed in the bill, the amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of the Rules Committee Print dated March 22, 2006 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read. The rule waives all points of order against that amendment in the nature of a substitute.

The rule makes in order only those amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution. The rule provides that the amendments printed in the report may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for the time specified in the report equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, shall not be subject to amendment, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the report. The rule provides that, after disposition of the amendments printed in the report, the Committee of the Whole shall rise without motion and no further consideration of the bill shall be in order except by a subsequent order of the House. Testimony was heard from Chairman McKeon, and Representatives Petri, Castle, Biggert, Keller, McMorris, Boustany, Burton, Lewis (KY), King (IA), Gohmert, George Miller (CA), Holt, McCarthy, Tierney, Kind, McCollum, Davis (IL), Grijalva, Bishop (NY), Blumenauer, Jefferson, Jackson-Lee, Kennedy (RI) and Emanuel.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on Defense, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimate for fiscal year 2007 for the Air Force, 10 a.m., SD-192.

Subcommittee on Military Construction and Veterans' Affairs and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 2007 for the Department of Veterans Affairs, 2:30 p.m., SD-124.

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Emerging Threats and Capabilities, to hold hearings to examine U.S. nonproliferation strategy and the roles and missions of the Department of Defense and the Department of Energy in nonproliferation in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007 and the future years defense program, 9:30 a.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to hold hearings to examine Global Strike Plans and programs in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007, 2:30 p.m., SR-222.

Subcommittee on SeaPower, to hold hearings to examine Navy/Marine Corps force structure and future capabilities in review of the defense authorization request for fiscal year 2007 and the future years defense program, 3:30 p.m., SR-232A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on International Trade and Finance, to resume hearings to examine the reauthorization of the U.S. Export-Import Bank, focusing on ways to improve the Bank's economic impact procedures, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Technology, Innovation, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine the importance of basic research to United States' competitiveness, 10 a.m., SD-562.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 2150, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain Bureau of Land Management Land to the City of Eugene, Oregon, H.R. 3507, to transfer certain land in Riverside County, California, and San Diego County, California, from the Bureau of Land Management to the United States to be held in trust for the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians, S. 1832, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease oil and gas resources underlying Fort Reno, Oklahoma, to establish the Fort Reno Management Fund, S. 1056, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the City of Henderson, Nevada, certain Federal land located in the city, and S. 2373, to provide for the sale of approximately 132 acres of public land to the City of Green River, Wyoming, at fair market value, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: to hold an oversight hearing to examine the impact of the elimination of MTBE, 9:30 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Finance: to hold hearings to examine U.S.-China economic relations revisited, 10 a.m., SD-215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to receive a closed briefing regarding U.S.-India atomic energy cooperation, focusing on the Indian separation plan and the Administration's related legislative proposal, 9:30 a.m., S-407, Capitol.

Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine U.S.-Burma relations, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight of Government Management, the Federal Workforce, and the District of Columbia, to resume hearings to examine how prepared is the nation's capital for terrorism, focusing on efforts to improve and refine coordination efforts and the NCR strategic plan and implementation, 2:30 p.m., SD-342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Brian M. Cogan, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, Michael Ryan Barrett, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Ohio, and Thomas M. Golden, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 9:30 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Property Rights, to hold hearings to examine state regulation of violent video games and the first amendment, 2 p.m., SD-226.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to receive a closed briefing regarding certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

Special Committee on Aging: to hold hearings to examine how seniors can stop investment fraud, 10 a.m., SD-106.

House

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, on Natural Resources and Environment, 9:30 a.m., 2362A Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Defense, executive, on National Foreign Intelligence Program, 10 a.m., H-140 Capitol.

Subcommittee on the Departments of Transportation, Treasury, and Housing and Urban Development, the Judiciary, District of Columbia, and Independent Agencies, on IRS, 10 a.m., and on DC, Courts and Criminal Justice, 3 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies, on DOE, Science Research, 10 a.m., 2362B Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs, on Millennium Challenge Corporation, 10 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Homeland Security, on FEMA, 2 p.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies, on Smithsonian, 10 a.m., on National Endowment for the Humanities, 2 p.m., and on National Endowment for the Arts, 3 p.m., B-308 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies, on public witnesses, 10:15 a.m., and 2 p.m., 2358 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Quality of Life, and Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies, on Army Budget, 10 a.m., and on VA/DHP Information Technology, 1 p.m., H-143 Capitol.

Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies, on Marshals/Prisons, 2 p.m., H-309 Capitol.

Committee on Armed Services, full Committee, hearing on issues relating to defense acquisition reform, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Military Personnel, hearing on the Defense Health Program—Department of Defense Initiatives to Control Costs, 3 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities, hearing on Defense Science and Technology: Investments to Shape the Evolving Terrorist Threat, 4 p.m., 2122 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, to mark up the Budget Resolution Fiscal Year 2007, 10:30 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, to mark up the following measures: H.R. 4127, Data Accountability and Trust Act (DATA); and H. Con. Res. 357, Supporting the goals and ideals of National Cystic Fibrosis Awareness Month, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade, and Consumer Protection, hearing entitled “Digital Content and Enabling Technology: Satisfying the 21st Century Consumer,” 1 p.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled “Public Reporting of Hospital-Acquired Infection Rates: Empowering Consumers, Saving Lives,” 2 p.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government-Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled “Fostering Accuracy and Transparency in Financial Reporting,” 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on Government Management, Finance and Accountability and the Subcommittee on Management, Integration, and Oversight of the Committee on Homeland Security, joint hearing entitled “Department of Homeland Security Information Technology Challenges and the Future of eMerge,” 3 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Intelligence, Information Sharing, and Terrorism Risk Assessment, to mark up a measure To reorganize the Directorate for Information Analysis and Infrastructure Protection of the Department of Homeland Security, to facilitate homeland security information-sharing, 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on International Relations, Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Operations and the Subcommittee on Asia and the Pacific, joint hearing on The Human Rights Dialogue With Vietnam: Is Vietnam Making Significant Progress? 2 p.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Offshore Banking, Corruption, and the War on Terrorism, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 3509, Workplace Goods Job Growth and

Competitiveness Act of 2005; and H.R. 3049, Asian Carp Prevention and Control Act, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts, the Internet, and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on Remedies for Small Copyright Claims, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to continue markup of H.R. 4200, Forest Emergency Recovery and Research Act and to mark up the following measures: H.R. 122, Eastern Municipal Water District Recycled Water System Pressurization and Expansion Project; H.R. 413, Bleeding Kansas National Heritage Area Act; H.R. 518, Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Improvement Act of 2005; H.R. 2563, To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct feasibility studies to address certain water shortages with the Snake, Boise, and Payette River systems in Idaho; H.R. 3418, Central Texas Water Recycling Act of 2005; H.R. 3418, Central Texas Waste Recycling Act of 2005; H.R. 3462, To provide for the conveyance of the Bureau of Land Management parcels known as the White Acre and Gambel Oak properties and related real property to Park City, Utah; H.R. 3682, To redesignate the Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge in Virginia as the Elizabeth Hartwell Mason Neck National Wildlife Refuge; H.R. 3967, Pactola Reservoir Reallocation Authorization Act of 2005; H.R. 4013, To amend the Reclamation Projects Authorization and Adjustment Act of 1992 to provide for conjunctive use of surface and groundwater in Juab County, Utah; H.R. 4080, Glendo Unit of the Missouri River Basin Project Contract Extension Act of 2005; H.R. 4084, To amend the Forest Service use and occupancy permit program to restore the authority of the Secretary of Agriculture to utilize the special use permit fees collected by the Secretary in connection with the establishment and operation of marinas in units of the National Forest System derived from the public domain; H.R. 4204, American River Pump Station Project Transfer Act of 2005; H.R. 4686, Multi-State and International Fisheries Conservation and Management Act of 2006; S. 584, Betty Dick Residence Protection Act; S. 1165, James Campbell National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Act of 2005; S. 1869, Coastal Barrier Resources Reauthorization Act of 2005; H.J. Res. 78, Approving the location of the commemorative work in the District of Columbia honoring former President Dwight D. Eisenhower; H.R. 374, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to take certain tribally-owned reservation land into trust for the Puyallup Tribe; H.R. 1307, Musconetcong Wild and Scenic Rivers Act; and H.R. 2978, To allow the Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation to enter into a lease or other temporary conveyance of water rights recognized under the Fort Peck-Montana Compact for the purpose of meeting the water needs of the Dry Prairie Water Association, Incorporated, 10 a.m., and to hold a hearing on H.R. 3350, Tribal Development Corporation Feasibility Study Act of 2005, 1 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, to mark up H. Res. 717, Directing the Secretary of Commerce to transmit to the House of Representatives a copy of a workforce globalization final draft report produced by the Technology Administration, 10:30 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on the Future of Air Traffic Control: The R&D Agenda, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Aviation, oversight hearing on Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) and the National Airspace System, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Highways, Transit and Pipelines, oversight hearing on Transit & Over-The-Road Bus Security, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, oversight hearing on improving and enhancing access to quality care for our nation's veterans through VISN-wide care coordination demonstrations (Project HERO), 10:30 a.m., 334 Cannon.